

Essential Question: Who is to blame for the tragic ending of the play? Use textual evidence to support your claim.

## Questions:

## Notes:

Act IV, scene i

- Juliet rushes to Friar Laurence's for help where she runs into Paris.
- They Kiss: uninspired and unwanted on her part.
- Once Paris leaves, Juliet threatens to kill herself (again) if Fr. Laurence can't get her out of the wedding to Paris.
- He offers her a potion that will make her appear dead for 42 hours.
- After faking her death, she and Romeo will be able to escape together.

Act IV, scene ii

- Juliet apologizes to her father and agrees to marry Paris.
- Lord Capulet is overjoyed and decides the wedding will take place the next day.

Act IV, scene iii

- Juliet drinks the potion after imagining how creepy it might be waking up surrounded by dead bodies, including Tybalt's.

Act IV, scene iv

- Everyone at the Capulet house is excited and preparing for the wedding, unaware that the bride is 'dead'.

Act IV, scene v:

- The nurse finds Juliet is dead. Everyone is very sad.
- The Friar shows up and tells the Capulets to move Juliet to the tomb (exactly as planned).

Act V, scene i

- Romeo is in exile in Mantua, where he learns of Juliet's 'death' from Balthasar.
- He decides that the only thing to do is go to Juliet's grave and commit suicide.
- He secretly buys poison from an apothecary and heads to Verona.

Act V, scene ii

- Fr. Laurence's message about Juliet's faking her death never reached Romeo.
- Having a bad feeling, the friar leaves for the tomb, thinking he'll have to wake Juliet by himself.

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- Act V, Scene iii
- Romeo arrives at the Capulet tomb where he finds Paris, Sadly tossing Flowers.
  - Paris tries to do a citizen's arrest on Romeo, who is still an outlaw in Verona.
  - They fight, and Romeo fatally wounds Paris - "I am slain!"
  - He breaks into the tomb and embraces Juliet's corpse.
  - After a final kiss, he drinks the poison and dies by his wife.
  - Juliet wake up, a moment too late, and finds Romeo dead by her side.
  - The Friar tries to convince her to run away. She refuses.
  - When she kisses Romeo, his lips are still warm. She realizes she just missed him.
  - She takes out her dagger and stabs herself, saying "Let me die."
  - The Prince, the Capulets, and the Montagues show up and Friar Laurence explains what happened.
  - Lord C and Lord M, both grief stricken, agree to end their feud and build statues to honor each other's child.
  - The Prince, to end the play, "For never was a story of more woe, than this of Juliet and her Romeo."

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